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Federal Opportunities

Community Food and Nutrition Program.

The Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families solicits applications for projects that are designed and intended to provide nutrition benefits to a targeted low-income group of people and that provide outreach and education about other nutritional services. Collaborating with existing programs and focusing on one or more legislatively-mandated programs is required. Awards of up to \$50,000 will be made. States, public agencies and non-profit organizations are eligible. The deadline is November 6, 1999. For more information, call Catherine Rivers at (202) 401-9363. The program announcement is also accessible at www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs/kitsl.htm.

Communicating Information to Targeted Areas about Challenge America Small Arts Grants. *The National Endowment for the Arts* announces funding for an organization to disseminate information about a new arts program in geographic areas and among communities currently under-represented as recipients of NEA grants. Proposals are scheduled to be due on November 29, 1999. For information on eligibility, etc. contact William Hummel at (202) 682-5482.

National Environmental Education Training Program. The Environmental Protection Agency invites proposals to operate a training program for FY2001-FY20003 that delivers environmental education and related support services to education professionals across the US. The new program should be an evolution of the Environmental Education and Training Partnership (EETAP info. is

posted at www.eetap.org). Core themes to be addressed are: a) building state capacity; b) linking EE to education reform; c) reaching diverse audiences; d) ensuring quality EE; e) utilizing technology; f) promoting synergy. Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education and non-profit organizations, as well as consortia of such institutions. One grant of \$1.4 million per year for 3 years is available. The deadline is December 15, 1999. For an application, contact the EPA at (202) 260-4965 or www.epa.gov/enviroed/educate.html.

Community Development Financial Institutions Fund. The Department of the Treasury has authorized funds to be released to insured depository institutions for the purpose of promoting investments in or other support to Community Development Financial Institutions and facilitating increased lending and provision of financial and other services in economically distressed communities. Approximately \$25 million will be awarded. Only insured depository institutions are eligible. The deadline for applications is November 23, 1999. For further information, contact the Community Development Financial Institutions

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www.treas.gov/cdfi.

Fund at (202) 622-8662 or visit its website at

Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant. *DC Dept. of Health, Preventive Health Services Administration (PHSA).* Applications can be picked up from 9/21-9/28 at PHSA, 825 N.
Capitol St. NE, Third Floor. The deadline is October 22 at 4:45pm.



District Opportunities, cont.

Innovative Assistive Technology. DC Assistive Technology Program requests proposals for initiatives that improve DC residents' access to AT devices, services and information. Funding is available for the development of consumer-driven, community-based programs that promote systems change, advocacy and access to efficient delivery of AT for individuals with disabilities of all ages. Individuals, for-profit and non-profit organizations whose proposals serve DC residents are eligible. Awards range from \$500 to \$20,000. The deadline is November 17, 1999. Contact Gil Shamir at (202) 547-0198 ext. 121 at University Legal Services for more information.

Private Funding Opportunities

Peer Assistance and Mentoring for Folk Arts
Programs, Mid-Atlantic Arts Foundation. Awards
of up to \$1,250 are available to support mentor
partnerships for community and ethnic
organizations, folk culture specialists, local arts
councils and museums involved in folk arts
programs. Grants provide a fee of \$250 per day for
mentor. Partnerships may be short or long-term and
can be used to provide immediate technical
assistance. Partnerships that take place across state
lines, serve diverse communities and are from
Caribbean communities are encouraged. Contact
Amy Skillman at (717) 238-1770 or email
amy@midarts.usa.com

Resources & Announcements

The Parenting Education Directory for the Washington Metropolitan Area is currently being revised and is expected to be available at the end of 1999. To be listed in the new directory or to be sure to receive a copy, contact Washington's CHILD Project, Inc. by phone at (202) 966-7543 or email wcp4@juno.com.

<u>The NonProfit Gateway</u> is an internet portal with links to Federal government information and services, including grants: www.NonProfit.gov. Job Announcement #99-FI-OGMD-0004:

Grants Policy Coordinator, DC Office of Grants Management and Development. DC-OGMD seeks one Grants Policy Coordinator (DS-15; \$68,395). The position description includes: monitoring OMB circulars and incorporating changes into the DC grants management policy manual; developing and implementing training on grants management; working with other agencies to improve grant implementation; overseeing Grant Policy staff in their effort to maintain a database of all grant awards and to review all subgrant awards. Qualifications: Masters degree in public policy or related field preferred; current working knowledge of Federal grants policies and procedures, including all relevant OMB circulars; other financial, accounting and computer skills. For more information, contact Jewel Jackson at Mission Support Center (202) 727-8254.

Job Announcement #99-FI-OGMD-0003:

Senior Financial Analyst, DC Office of Grants Management and Development. DC-OGMD seeks one Senior Financial Analyst (DS-13/14; \$49,204-74,942). The program description includes: ensuring that the budget reflects the organization's strategic plan and goals; maintaining a system of position and fund controls; processing vendor information forms and requests; producing userfriendly reports; establishing a cuff accounting system to illustrate spending; establishing and maintains a system of internal controls that provides management with assurance against waste, fraud and abuse. Qualifications: BS preferred and three years of progressively responsible experience in public and private agencies or a combination of education and equivalent experience; ability to exercise independent judgement, understand and resolve financial problems; knowledge and skills in the use of a personal computer. For more information, contact Jewel Jackson at Mission Support Center (202) 727-8254.

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